for recovery of outstanding dues of defaulting units including defaulting tea companies is a continuous process. It is the constant endeavour of the recovery machinery of ESI Corporation to fully recover the outstanding dues from the defaulting units as per the provisions of Section 45-C to 45-1 of ESI Act. However, in some cases where the defaulting employers approach the Court of Law challenging the recovery proceedings, recovery is not possible immediately.

Cardiology Superspeciality Wing at Asramam, Kerala

2306. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the MINISTER OF LABOUR be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Queston 261 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 1st August, 2002 and state:

(a) whether the plan to set up a separate Cardiology (Noninvasive) Wing, Superspeciality Department at Asramam, Kollam in Kerala has been finalised in consultation with the Central Public Works Department; and

(b) if so, by when this Superspeciality Wing would be functional?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Cardiology (non-invasive) Wing of Model Hospital, Asramam, is expected to be made functional after completion of the construction by the year 2005.

Trade unions opposition to labour reforms

2307. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the MINISTER OF LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trade union leaders are opposed to labour reforms and disinvestment policy;

(b) whether it is also a fact that according to them retrenchment is going on in the Modern Foods and BALCO and disinvestment in both these units has not been-successful;

(c) if so, what is Government's assessment; and

(d) what concrete steps are being taken against the new management of both the companies?